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Re: Federal Register Request for Information: Performance Standard for Vibro vulnificus Docket Number 98P-0504 – Vol. 64, No. 13, Page 3300-3301

Dear Sir;

I am writing in regards to your current interests regarding the above mentioned.

I disagree with the notion that health policies should not be unilaterally developed and implemented by a federal agency based upon the demands of a special interest group, namely CSPI. Rather it should be developed using the best available science within the framework of a collaborative forum. The policies and regulations developed in this manner best assure industry compliance that in turn best assures public health. This is the purpose of the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference, which is the appropriate mechanism for dealing with the issues brought forward by CSPI.

I sure like the statement from AmeriPure Company that it will add "only" 8 cents to the cost of each oyster. In most instances you are talking about 20% to 35% increase.

Thank you for your time. I must run now so I can go buy stock in AmeriPure!

Robert George - President

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